GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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BORDOLOI AIRPORT
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Guwahati-Bangkok flight of the Indian Airlines is being withdrawn gradually;

(b) if so, the details and the reasons therefor;

(c) if not, whether the Union Government has any plan of turning Lok Priya Gopinath Bordoloi Airport as a parking hub to some International flights since major airports of the country are saturated following the open air policy;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken towards improvement as well as better utilization of the LGB Airport?

Answer

- MINISTER OF STATE(INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a) : No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c) and (d): No request has been received by Airports Authority of India (AAI) from any Foreign Airline for using Lok Priya Gopinath Bardoloi (LGB) Airport as a parking hub.

(e): The apron of LGB Airport has been expanded enabling it to accommodate 8 aircraft of both `C` and `D` categories. AAI has plans to expand terminal building by approximately 500 sq. metres on the airside with two more aerobridges. Besides, it has plans to provide an extended canopy on the city side and expand the car parking area further.